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Filed: November 21, 2001

For:

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LITHOGRAPHIC PRINTING PLATE

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Sir:

On October 14, 2003, the undersigned filed an Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 in the Patent and Trademark Office for the above-identified patent application. A further copy of the Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed, together with the return receipt postcard stamped by the PTO Mailroom on October 14, 2003.

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